



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Shinichi NAGATA et al.

Application No.: 09/380,583

Filed: September 8, 1999

For: ORIENTATION MEASURING INSTRUMENT

Art Unit: 2858

Examiner: T. R. Sundaram

Atty. Dkt. No.: 107331-09002

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

April 24, 2001

Sir:

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In reply to the outstanding Office Action dated October 24, 2000, having been duly extended from January 24, 2001 to April 24, 2001, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please amend the drawings as indicated in the enclosed Request for Approval of Drawing Changes.

REMARKS

The Office Action dated October 24, 2000 has been received and carefully noted. The following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response thereto. No new matter has been added. Claims 1-12 are respectfully submitted for consideration.

The Office Action objected to the drawings because the Examiner asserts that Figs. 1 and 2 should be designated as "Prior Art." The enclosed Request for Approval